

Remarks:

The Applicant thanks Examiner Daniel L. Greene for his continued thorough examination of this application and for his helpful discussion during the interviews.

Interview Summary:

Applicant James W. Wieder met with examiner Daniel L. Greene for an Interview on Tues, Oct 5, 2010 beginning at ~3pm in the USPTO Knox building. Prior to the Interview, the Applicant had faxed informal discussion papers to examiner Daniel L. Greene. Discussion was held on a new independent claim and the cited art. An agreement was reached with respect to the claims. The Examiner indicated that "Applicant's amendments appear to overcome the art as applied". More details of the Interview may be discussed in the sections that follow. The Applicant would like to thank the examiner for the very helpful Interview discussion.

Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) had no references:

The PTO-892 form sent with the last Office Action did not contain any references. Applicant respectfully requests that any additional references be cited into the official record.

Comments on Amendments to the Abstract:

The applicant has requested changes to the Abstract to more closely reflect the invention that is claimed in this application. Examiner acceptance of these changes is respectfully requested.

Comments on Amendments to the Specification:

The applicant has requested changes to the Specification to correct grammar and typographical errors. Examiner acceptance of these changes is respectfully requested.

The Applicant has written claims in a simpler and clearer form:

It should not be assumed that claim amendments are simply made to overcome Office Action rejections/objections. There are many other possible reasons for making claim changes. As the Applicant expends additional effort on claim drafting, the Applicant may arrive at different and/or better and/or clearer ways to claim the invention. Such claim changes may result in different and/or broader elements/features than prior claims. In addition, to increase claim diversity and/or cover a wider diversity of infringement-settings and/or to save on additional claim fees, some claims may be canceled in-order to add newer/better/different claims. In addition, claim changes may have been made to correct minor claim formalities such as adding an “and” before the last element in a claim; deleting a word that was repeated twice in a row; correcting miss-spellings of a word; and/or other typographical errors.

Support for Claims:

Support for the claimed “relationship” can be found, (at the least) at Applicant specification paragraphs 126-129, 116, 132, 142 and Applicant figures 7a-7c; as well as elsewhere in the Specification.

Summary:

The applicant has written simpler and clearer claims. Prior claims have been canceled. New claims 264-311 have been added. The number of total claims is unchanged. The number of independent claims is unchanged.

The undersigned wishes to make it clear that not making arguments or other additional arguments at this time, should not be construed as a concession or admission to any statement in the Office Action. The applicant is not conceding any claimed subject matter and reserves the right to prosecute any matter in canceled or amended claims; in future prosecution and/or continuing application(s).

The applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application. The applicant believes the application as amended is in condition for allowance. The applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

/James W. Wieder/ (S-signature) Oct 8, 2010

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